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Intimations.

Banks.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital, \$7,500,000 Reserve Fund, \$4,400,000 Reserve for Equalization of Dividends, \$4,400,000 Reserve Liability of Proprietors, \$7,500,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS.—Chairman, A. P. McEWEN, Esq. Deputy Chairman, Hon. F. D. SASSON, C. D. BOTTOMLEY, M. GROAT, Esq. E. H. HOPKINS, Esq. H. L. DALBYMPLE, Hon. W. KESWICK, Esq. A. MOLVER, Esq. W. H. FORBES, Esq. M. E. SASSON, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER, Hongkong, THOMAS JACKSON, Esq. MANAGER, Shanghai, EVEN CAMERON, Esq. LONDON BANKERS—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED.—On Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

For Fixed Deposits.—For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum. For 6 months, 4 per cent. For 12 months, 5 per cent.

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.—Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON, Chief Manager, Hongkong, August 25, 1884. 1423

NOTICE.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS' BANK.

1.—The business of the above Bank will be conducted by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on their premises in Hongkong. Business hours on week-days, 10 to 3; Saturdays, 10 to 1.

2.—The Assets of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation will form a direct security for the repayment of sums deposited in the above Bank.

3.—Sum less than \$1, or more than \$250 at one time will not be received. No depositor may deposit more than \$1,000 in any one year.

4.—Deposits may be on behalf of relatives, friends, &c., in addition to the depositor, and on account of the depositor.

5.—Persons desirous of saving sums less than a dollar may do so by affixing clean ten-cent stamps to a form to be obtained at the Bank or at the Post Office. When the form is presented with ten-cent stamp the depositor will be credited one dollar.

6.—Depositors in the Savings' Bank having \$100 or more at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on fixed deposit for 12 months at 8 per cent. per annum interest.

7.—Deposits may be forwarded by the Posts by means of clean Hongkong Postage Stamps of any value.

8.—Interest at the rate of 8 per cent. per annum will be allowed to depositors on their daily balances.

9.—Each Depositor will be supplied gratis with a Pass-Book which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors are not liable for any entries that may be in their Pass-Books but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, the beginning of January and beginning of July.

10.—Cover containing Pass-Books, Registered Letters containing Stamps or other Remittances, and generally, correspondence to the business of the Bank will, if marked, on Hongkong Savings' Bank Business be forwarded free of Postage or Registration Fees by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

11.—Withdrawals may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the depositor or his duly appointed agent, and the production of his Pass-Book are necessary.

12.—All documents connected with the business of the Savings' Bank are exempt from stamp duty.

For the

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,

T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager,

Hongkong, April 25, 1884. 1716

Bank.

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

Incorporated in London on 18th July, 1884, under the Companies Acts 1862, to 1883.

LONDON BANKERS.

UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.

BANK OF SCOTLAND, LONDON.

NOTES or INTEREST ALLOWED ON DE-

POSITS.

At 3 months' notice 3 1/2 per annum.

" 6 " " 4 1/2 " "

" 12 " " 5 1/2 " "

Current Accounts kept on Terms which may be learnt on application.

J. MELVILLE MATSON,

Manager.

Hongkong, September 16, 1884. 1556

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SPECIALLY Mexican Dollars currently in this Colony, including 1,7, 1, in Exchange for BILLS drawn on the Government of India, Calcutta, will be RECEIVED by the District PAYMASTER, Hongkong, until 12, Noon, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th Instant.

The Tenders to state the Total Amount required (in Rupas), and the Amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bill will be issued for sums below Rs. 10,000.

The Tenders to be in duplicate, in Sealed Covers, addressed to 'The District Paymaster', Hongkong, and endorsed 'Tenders for Government Bills.'

The right to accept or reject any or all the Tenders is reserved.

ARTHUR GELSTON, Major, Staff Paymaster, A.P.D., District Paymaster.

TREASURY CHEST OFFICE,

Queen's Road,

Hongkong, 15th November, 1884. 1933

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ANNUALMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1883.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby requested to send in to this Office a List of their Contributions of Premium for the year ending 31st December last, in Order that the PROPORTION of PROFIT for that year to be PAID as BONUS to CONTRIBUTORS may be arranged. Returns not sent in before the 30th November next, will be made up by the Company, and no subsequent Claims or Alterations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors.

JAS. B. COUGHLIN, Secretary.

Hongkong, September 1, 1884. 1467

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For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
No. 53, Queen's Road East,
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSIONER),
ARE NOW
LANDING FROM AMERICA.

TOPOCAN BUTTER.
Eastern and Californian CHEESE.
CODEFISH, Boned.
Prime HAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand CREAM and MILK.
Eagle BEEF in 25 lb. loafs.
Beast IDEAL SALMON in 6 lb. cans.
Cutting's Desert FRUITS in 24 lb. cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MEAT.
Assorted PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.
Lunch HAM.
Lamb's TONGUES.
Clare CHOWDER.
Fresh OREGON SALMON.
Dried APPLES.
TOMATOES.
SUCCOTASH.
Maple SYRUP.
Golden SYRUP.
Cracked WHEAT.
HOMINY.
HONEY.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.
400 lb. Capacity.
600 lb. "
900 lb. "
1,200 lb. "

K A I S A R - I - H I N D'
CIGARETTES
in crystallized Boxes of 100 at 86.50
per milie.

SPORTING AND RIFLE GUNPOWDER
in 1-lb. Tins.

AGATE IRON WARE.
INSERTION RUBBER.
Tuck's PATENT PACKING.
HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMPS.
PERFECTION STUDENT LAMPS.
LAWN BOWLS.

PAINTS and OILS.
TALLOW and TAR.
PITCH and ROSIN.

— Ex late Arrivals from

ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
S T O R E S,
including:

ALMONDS and RAISINS.
FRENCH PLUMS.
TETSONEAT'S DESSERT-FRUIT.
JORDON ALMONDS.

Fine YORK HAMS.
PICNIC TONGUES.
BREAKFAST TONGUES.
PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

Digby CHICKS.
Yarmouth BLOATERS.
Kippered HERRINGS.
Herrings & SARDINES.

IRISH BACON in tins.
COCCOTINA.
VAN HOUTEN'S COCOA.
EFF'S COCOA.

S P A R T A N

COOKING STOVES.

CLARETS—
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.
1882 GRAVES, "

BREAKFAST CLARET, "

SHERRIES & PORT—
SACCOME'S MANZANILLA & AMON-

TILLADO.
SACCOME'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1848).
HUNT'S PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—
1 and 3 star HENNESSY'S BRANDY.
COQUENORD'S BRANDY.
FINE OLD BOURBON WHISKY.
KIRKMAN'S LI'L WHISKY.
ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.
BOODS'S OLD TOM.
E. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY.
KIRK'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.
NOELLY PRAT & Co.'s VERMOUTH.
JAMESON'S WHISKY.

MARSALA.
EASTERN CIDER.
CHARTREUSE.
MARASCHINO.
CURACAO.

ANGOSTURA, BOKER'S and ORANGE
BITTERS.
&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CAMERON and
SAUNDERS, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E. &
J. BOYCE, pints and quarts.

DRAUGHT ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in hogheads.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

C I G A R E.

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 26 cents p. lb.

MILNER'S PATENT FIRE-PROOF
SAFES, CASH and PAPER
BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, August 15, 1884.

1870 1829

Intimations.

Chinese Imperial Government Eight Per
Cent. Loan of 1881.

THIRD DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulation contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Par, at the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong, on the 17th day of November, 1884, when the Interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day Drawn at the Office of the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of Mr. HENRY MARCUS BEVIS, Acting Chief Accountant of the said Corporation, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

1096 Bonds Nos.:

| | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| 5 | 886 | 1763 | 2648 | 3524 | 4405 | 5286 | 6162 | 7045 | 7925 |
| 12 | 895 | 1772 | 2651 | 3531 | 4413 | 5292 | 6171 | 7054 | 7930 |
| 23 | 902 | 1782 | 2660 | 3540 | 4423 | 5300 | 6179 | 7062 | 7927 |
| 31 | 912 | 1787 | 2670 | 3546 | 4431 | 5308 | 6190 | 7068 | 7948 |
| 35 | 914 | 1798 | 2676 | 3556 | 4440 | 5319 | 6196 | 7077 | 7959 |
| 43 | 922 | 1804 | 2684 | 3565 | 4444 | 5327 | 6204 | 7082 | 7967 |
| 50 | 931 | 1812 | 2694 | 3575 | 4453 | 5331 | 6211 | 7090 | 7971 |
| 60 | 938 | 1821 | 2700 | 3578 | 4460 | 5340 | 6219 | 7102 | 7984 |
| 68 | 946 | 1828 | 2705 | 3587 | 4467 | 5346 | 6228 | 7111 | 7988 |
| 75 | 955 | 1837 | 2713 | 3597 | 4479 | 5356 | 6236 | 7117 | 7993 |
| 85 | 962 | 1844 | 2723 | 3600 | 4482 | 5365 | 6242 | 7124 | 8003 |
| 93 | 973 | 1851 | 2727 | 3612 | 4495 | 5374 | 6253 | 7132 | 8012 |
| 98 | 982 | 1861 | 2740 | 3621 | 4501 | 5380 | 6258 | 7140 | 8020 |
| 107 | 991 | 1872 | 2751 | 3629 | 4510 | 5391 | 6265 | 7149 | 8027 |
| 115 | 999 | 1876 | 2753 | 3638 | 4515 | 5400 | 6274 | 7158 | 8035 |
| 122 | 1007 | 1883 | 2765 | 3645 | 4523 | 5404 | 6284 | 7164 | 8043 |
| 130 | 1014 | 1893 | 2776 | 3655 | 4531 | 5411 | 6292 | 7171 | 8056 |
| 139 | 1022 | 1902 | 2779 | 3660 | 4538 | 5421 | 6301 | 7180 | 8059 |
| 147 | 1032 | 1908 | 2786 | 3667 | 4547 | 5430 | 6312 | 7187 | 8066 |
| 158 | 1034 | 1915 | 2800 | 3679 | 4554 | 5437 | 6317 | 7198 | 8077 |
| 164 | 1044 | 1924 | 2804 | 3685 | 4563 | 5445 | 6325 | 7202 | 8085 |
| 172 | 1053 | 1930 | 2812 | 3693 | 4572 | 5454 | 6331 | 7211 | 8092 |
| 177 | 1060 | 1939 | 2821 | 3704 | 4578 | 5460 | 6341 | 7218 | 8097 |
| 185 | 1066 | 1947 | 2829 | 3709 | 4586 | 5468 | 6350 | 7230 | 8107 |
| 195 | 1080 | 1955 | 2835 | 3716 | 4598 | 5475 | 6367 | 7233 | 8110 |
| 205 | 1088 | 1967 | 2843 | 3722 | 4604 | 5484 | 6364 | 7247 | 8120 |
| 214 | 1099 | 1974 | 2852 | 3735 | 4613 | 5490 | 6374 | 7250 | 8133 |
| 221 | 1103 | 1980 | 2859 | 3737 | 4618 | 5501 | 6383 | 7258 | 8140 |
| 229 | 1106 | 1986 | 2868 | 3749 | 4626 | 5506 | 6388 | 7267 | 8148 |
| 239 | 1119 | 1994 | 2877 | 3756 | 4634 | 5517 | 6397 | 7270 | 8155 |
| 244 | 1122 | 2002 | 2883 | 3764 | 4643 | 5526 | 6405 | 7283 | 8164 |
| 253 | 1133 | 2011 | 2895 | 3771 | 4651 | 5535 | 6411 | 7293 | 8171 |
| 262 | 1143 | 2021 | 2900 | 3777 | 4658 | 5541 | 6419 | 7299 | 8183 |
| 266 | 1148 | 2027 | 2907 | 3785 | 4671 | 5549 | 6427 | 7300 | 8187 |
| 276 | 1159 | 2037 | 2915 | 3795 | 4673 | 5557 | 6436 | 7315 | 8196 |
| 283 | 1164 | 2044 | 2924 | 3803 | 4683 | 5568 | 6447 | 7328 | 8201 |
| 290 | 1173 | 2050 | 2930 | 3816 | 4691 | 5572 | 6452 | 7335 | 8206 |
| 301 | 1182 | 2060 | 2940 | 3820 | 4700 | 5582 | 6460 | 7342 | 8224 |
| 308 | 1186 | 2068 | 2946 | 3830 | 4706 | 5589 | 6466 | 7347 | 8229 |
| 316 | 1196 | 2076 | 2955 | 3834 | 4714 | 5599 | 6475 | 7357 | 8234 |
| 323 | 1204 | 2084 | 2964 | 3841 | 4726 | 5607 | 6484 | 7365 | 8243 |
| 334 | 1214 | 2094 | 2972 | 3862 | 4731 | 5610 | 6494 | 7372 | 8253 |
| 337 | 1218 | 2103 | 2981 | 3858 | 4738 | 5618 | 6503 | 7380 | 8260 |
| 350 | 1228 | 2112 | 2987 | 3866 | 4746 | 5631 | 6510 | 7388 | 8267 |
| 355 | 1236 | 2113 | 2995 | 3875 | 4754 | 5636 | 6518 | 7396 | 8277 |
| 365 | 1240 | 2127 | 3001 | 3885 | 4761 | 5647 | 6525 | 7402 | 8284 |
| 372 | 1246 | 2134 | 3012 | 3895 | 4773 | 5653 | 6530 | 7414 | 8292 |
| 381 | 1244 | 2142 | 3019 | 3900 | 4778 | 5660 | 6540 | 7423 | 8298 |
| 390 | 1270 | 2151 | 3029 | 3906 | 4785 | 5672 | 6550 | 7427 | 8311 |
| 399 | 1278 | 2159 | 3036 | 3914 | 4795 | 5680 | 6558 | 7439 | 8317 |
| 405 | 1281 | 2163 | 3043 | 3928 | | | | | |

French articles have we learnt been received stating that the China Navigation Company's steamer *Chang-ho* has, as it was anticipated she would do, become a complete wreck, but her mails, passengers, and treasure were saved.

Mr Gurn V. Joshee, the Mahratta Brahmin, whom we alluded a few nights ago as being an earnest advocate for the raising and educating of the women of India, will deliver a lecture on 'India, past and present' in the Temperance Hall on Thursday evening. The lecture will commence at 8.15 p.m., and will be preceded and followed by the usual entertainment by the Royal Naval Temperance Society.

In another column we publish a description of the defences of Port Arthur. The particulars given are, we have every reason to believe, authentic. Port Arthur is the chief naval rendezvous of the Chinese, and no doubt possesses stronger defences than any other port in China. My Colquhoun, who recently visited the port, states in a letter to the Times that if the French attack the place they will certainly be repulsed.

The agreement with the 'Wai-sing' lottery firmers in Canton is as follows:—The term is six years, and the sum total to be paid is \$3,800,000, namely:—

Deposit in advance..... \$ 200,000
When the farming commences..... 600,000
After one month..... 500,000
At the end of first year..... 500,000
Annual payment for remaining 5 years at \$40,000. 2,000,000
Total..... \$ 3,800,000

Fu has had a good job on the Franco-Chinese trouble. An English patriot says to a fair French guest: 'Of course, Madame, during your visit to London you have seen our Health Exhibition, with its bands and all that!'

Fair French Guest: 'Ah, Oui. It is grand, so much; but those Chinese bands, now, they are horrids for one even with the most little ears of music. Affairs that your Anglietres ought to say to my nation: "Thanks much for bombing those barbarys"—there! Is it not so!'

The invitations to ladies in the Colony to become honorary members of the Choral Society were, we understand, sent out yesterday. The practices of the Society should afford pleasant and instructive recreation in a colony where there is considerable dearth of amusement, to say nothing of the pleasure afforded the community generally by the performances of the Society. It is intended to put the cantata, 'Rose Mairien' in rehearsal with Maestro Cattaneo as conductor. There is a probability that Mr. G. F. Lammet, an able and well known local performer on the piano, will be the accompanist. Meanwhile, we are asked to state, that the Committee are now only waiting for the ladies to express their willingness to attend the practices, which will then be commenced immediately.

The adjourned enquiry concerning the death of Chow Amua, the man who was found hanging to a tree near Taiping on Sunday morning, was held this morning at the Magistracy by Mr Wise, the Coroner, and a jury composed of Messrs J. A. Xavier, A. Young, and H. T. Siemssen. The medical evidence went to prove that the deceased had died from strangulation, and a hawker named Chow Asan, who lived next door to the deceased in Ng Kwei Lane, identified the body. Deceased had been seen by this witness at about 5 p.m. on Saturday, when he went out. The deceased man was a widower and opium smoker, and though not in debt, was very poor. Indian Constable 527 gave evidence as to finding the body of deceased hanging from the bough of a tree on a piece of waste ground above Taiping-shan at 6 o'clock on Sunday morning.

The jury returned a verdict of *felon de se*.

It is doubtful if any English operatic or dramatic company will visit Hongkong this winter. There is a 'Gaiety Company,' under the management of Mr. George Norville, now performing in India, and we may extend its travels to Hongkong. We are likely, however, to be visited in April by a French operatic company now giving performances in Saigon. Signor Bergonchi's Italian opera company will also during the ensuing spring visit Manilla and Singapore, but it is not stated it will come to Hongkong, although it is quite possible it may do so. There is consequently every prospect of this winter being an exceptionally dull season, so far as entertainments are concerned. The dullness will, we are happy to be able to state, be relieved in some measure by the efforts of our local musicians, professional and amateur. At the end of the present month Professor Vita, whose opening concert here was a great success, will give another entertainment of the same kind. He will be largely assisted by local amateurs—ladies and gentlemen. A novelty in the concert will be a grand overture on the pianoforte, for six hands, played by ladies.

The following telegram, despatched by the Governor of Cochin-China, who is present in the Cambodian capital, to General Bouet, commander-in-chief of the French forces in Cochin-China, appears in the *Scorpion*:—'I arrived on the 24th October at Phnompenh and the same day gave a visit to His Majesty Norodom, who, as the despatch made of him in conformity with the

instructions of Government, has consented to the immediate application of all the clauses of the convention of the 17th June. He has been informed that all the clauses concerning the functions of the new protectorate will be arranged between the council of five ministers of the King and the Governor of Cochin-China. After several interviews devoted to the consideration and discussion of the new constitution, I have drawn up and signed, in the council of ministers, on the 27th October, two decisions relating to the political and judicial organisation of the Kingdom; and on the 28th Oct. two decisions relating to the abolition of slavery and the constitution of proprietorship.

These four decisions have been submitted to the King and were returned to me yesterday bearing the seal of the President of the Council. They contain the complete application of the convention and conform in their general lines, with some slight modification of details, drawn up with the common consent of the Cambodian ministers, to plans which I had previously laid before Parliament. Each of them bear the following notice:—'The Council of the Government of Cambodia with the full consent of H. M. Norodom has authorized with the seal of the first minister the present decision.'

They will be published by decree, to-morrow, the 1st Nov. I proceed actually to the organisation of the province and municipality of Phnompenh.

The following is an extract from the last report presented to the shareholders of the South British Fire and Marine Insurance Company of New Zealand, which has an Agent (Mr A. Levy) in Hongkong:—

The Directors have the pleasure of placing before the shareholders the statement of accounts and balance-sheets for the year ended 31st August last. The income, including the balance brought forward from last year, is £225,812 10s 11d; the general expenditure is £312,066 12s 10d; the balance to credit to profit and loss account at the books was £18,746 7s 1d, from which an amount (less interest of 5 per cent, paid on deposit) of £10,000 was deducted.

Mr Goldring:—There may be something left. I know the goods have been seized under a bill of sale, but my client is only taking his chance.

Plaintiff was then put into the box, and produced a book written in English and also one in Chinese, showing the articles he alleges he supplied, as well as the price. The book in English was written up from the Chinese ones by his accountant. The goods were supplied to 'Akum and Ahing. His account was settled up to the end of April. Plaintiff's account of the book in English was shown to Mr. Stainfield.

Mr Goldring:—An application for time in a case of this kind must be simply to avoid judgment. (To Mr. Messop.) If everything is seized, what is the good of proceeding to judgment? If there is nothing to be got, you may save your costs of judgment.

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